

RESOLUTION NO. OB14-013

A RESOLUTION OF THE OVERSIGHT BOARD OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE WEST HOLLYWOOD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ADOPTING A RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015, PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 34177

The Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the West Hollywood Community Development Commission (“Oversight Board”) does resolve as follows:

Section 1. The Board finds and declares that:

- A. Pursuant to Health & Safety Code §§ 34177 and 34180, on May 21, 2012, the Oversight Board approved an Initial Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (“ROPS”) for the period from February 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012 and a ROPS for the period from July 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012, and submitted the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedules to the Department of Finance (“DOF”) and State Controller;
- B. On May 31, 2012, DOF approved both the February – June 2012 ROPS and July – December 2012 ROPS;
- C. On June 27, 2012, the State Legislature enacted AB 1484 to “clean up” the prior redevelopment dissolution legislation (AB x1 26), which imposes additional Successor Agency auditing requirements;
- D. On August 23, 2012, the Oversight Board approved the ROPS for the period from January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2013, and transmitted the approved ROPS to DOF;
- E. On October 15, 2012, DOF issued a determination letter on ROPS No. 3, objecting to six enforceable obligations, including a permanent financing loan in the amount of \$3.5 million for the Courtyard at La Brea affordable housing project, \$27 million in funding for the Plummer Park project, \$1.8 million in funding for disabled access improvements to West Hollywood Community Housing Corporation buildings, and funding for employee oversight costs for the Janet L. Witkin Center affordable housing project, Courtyard at La Brea affordable housing project, and Plummer Park project. After a meet and confer with the Successor Agency, DOF issued a final determination letter reasserting its denial of the six disputed enforceable obligations;
- F. On February 28, 2013, the Oversight Board approved the ROPS for the period from July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013 (ROPS 13-14A or ROPS No. 4), without the six disputed enforceable obligations and transmitted the approved ROPS to DOF; however, as part of the resolution approving that ROPS the Successor Agency and Oversight Board affirmed their claim that each of the six

disputed obligations represents an enforceable obligation that should be included on ROPS No.4;

- G. On April 15, 2013, DOF approved the ROPS for the period from July 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013;
- H. By its Resolution No. SA-13-012, adopted on August 19, 2013, the Successor Agency adopted ROPS No. 5 (13-14B) for the period from January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014;
- I. On September 18, 2013, the Oversight Board approved ROPS No. 5 (13-14B) for the period from January 1, 2014 through June 30, 2014, and transmitted the approved ROPS to DOF (Resolution No. OB13-009);
- J. On October 28, 2013, DOF approved the January - June 2014 ROPS (13-14B);
- K. By its Resolution No. SA-14-015, adopted on February 18, 2014, the Successor Agency adopted ROPS No. 6 (14-15A) for the period from July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014;
- L. On February 20, 2014, the Oversight Board approved ROPS No. 6 (14-15A) for the period from July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014, and transmitted the approved ROPS to DOF;
- M. On April 3, 2014, DOF approved the July - December 2014 ROPS (14-15A);
- N. To comply with DOF requirements, the Successor Agency did not place the disputed items from ROPS No. 3 on ROPS No. 4, ROPS No. 5, or ROPS No. 6; however, the Successor Agency continues to claim that each of the six disputed obligations represents an enforceable obligation that should be included on the ROPS;
- O. To comply with DOF requirements, the Oversight Board desires to adopt this ROPS No. 7 (14-15B) (January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015) without the disputed items from ROPS No. 3; however, the Successor Agency and Oversight Board continue to claim that each of the six disputed obligations represents an enforceable obligation that should be included on ROPS No. 7. The Successor Agency asserts that it would have entered a payment amount for the disputed items, but that the ROPS 14-15B form required to be used by DOF prevented it from doing so.

Section 2. *Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule.* The Oversight Board hereby adopts the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period from January 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 (ROPS No. 7), attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.

Section 3. *Adoption Under Protest.* The Oversight Board determines that it must approve a ROPS to avoid imposition of potential penalties and fines to the City of West Hollywood ("City") or the Successor Agency by DOF. Neither the adoption of this Resolution, the approval

of this ROPS, nor the performance of actions under or pursuant to this Resolution is intended by the Oversight Board, City, or Successor Agency to waive any right any of them may have to challenge DOF's previous denial of disputed enforceable obligations included on the January – June 2013 ROPS, their exclusion on this ROPS, and/or the legality of all or any portion of AB x1 26, AB 1484, or the ROPS process, through administrative or judicial proceedings.

Section 4. *Authorization.* The officers and staff of the Oversight Board are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things which they may deem necessary or advisable to effectuate this Resolution, including but not limited to providing documents associated with the ROPS and Administrative Budget to the County Auditor-Controller, State Controller, and State Department of Finance.

Section 5. *Amendment.* The ROPS and Administrative Budget may be amended from time to time at any public meeting of the Oversight Board.

Section 6. *Environmental Determination.* This Resolution is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 2100, et seq., “CEQA”) and CEQA regulations (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, et seq.) because it establishes rules and procedures to implement government funding mechanisms; does not involve any commitment to a specific project which could result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment; and constitutes an organizational or administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Accordingly, this Resolution does not constitute a “project” that requires environmental review (see specifically 14 CCR § 15378(b)(4-5)).

Section 7. *Reliance on Record.* Each and every one of the findings and determinations in this Resolution are based on the competent and substantial evidence, both oral and written, contained in the entire record relating to the Oversight Board and applicable law. The findings and determinations constitute the independent findings and determinations of the Oversight Board in all respects and are fully and completely supported by substantial evidence in the record as a whole.

Section 8. *Summaries of Information.* All summaries of information in the findings, which precede this Section, are based on the substantial evidence in the record including, without limitation, verbal and documentary evidence submitted to the Oversight Board. The absence of any particular fact from any such summary is not an indication that a particular finding is not based in part on that fact.

Section 9. The Oversight Board secretary is directed to certify the adoption of this Resolution; record this Resolution in the book of the Oversight Board's original resolutions; and make a minute of the adoption of the Resolution in the Oversight Board's records and the minutes of this meeting.

Section 10. This Resolution will become effective immediately upon adoption and will remain effective unless repealed or superseded.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 25th day of September, 2014.

Martin Zimmerman, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Cesar Hernandez, Deputy Clerk
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Acting as Secretary for the Oversight Board
of the Successor Agency to the
West Hollywood Community Development Commission

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above and foregoing ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the Oversight Board of the Successor Agency to the West Hollywood Community Development Commission at a special meeting held on the 25th day of September, 2014, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES;

NOES;

ABSENT: